

Antelope Valley Resource Conservation District

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RE: COMMENTS ON THE RENEWABLE ENERGY ORDINANCE - DRAFT 2

Dear Thuy:

We respectfully submit the comments listed below on the Los Angeles County Renewable Energy Ordinance - Draft 2.

22.52.1660 Standards for Ground-Mounted Utility-Scale Renewable Energy Facilities

Section C. Fencing, Item 4

Such vegetation should be from plants grown and seed collected within a 30 mile radius of the project site.

Seed collected from plants on site and within a 30 mile radius help increase viability rates as these plants are already in the area and are thriving. Plant propagation should occur within a 30 mile radius of the project site as well as these plants will be adapted to the extreme conditions experienced on site with high temperatures in the summer, low to freezing temperatures in the winter, little water on site, as well as high winds.

Section G. Site Disturbance, Item 4

"Use of other fugitive dust mitigation measures may be implemented if determined by Regional Planning and Public Works to be suitable methods to adequately control dust during construction, operations, and removal and restoration activities."

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Plan and other suitable methods should also be reviewed by the Resource Conservation District for efficacy and reasonableness prior to approval. The Resource Conservation District has studied and implemented effective dust mitigation methods for over 20 years in the Antelope Valley and surrounding areas. Their expertise and knowledge will help ensure the most appropriate and effective methods are implemented on site.

Respectfully,

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